

New U.S. Nat'l Stage Application  
PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

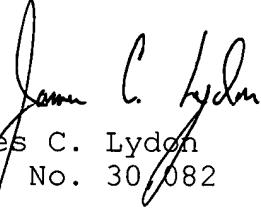
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REMARKS

This Preliminary Amendment cancels claims 1-7, adds new claims 8-16, inserts a reference to International Application PCT/FI00/00562 into the specification, and presents a new Abstract based on the PCT Abstract. The new claims correspond to the original claims, but do not contain multiple dependencies. A version showing the changes made is attached as an Appendix. Claims 8-16 are pending.

It is not believed that any fee is required for entry and consideration of this Preliminary Amendment. Nevertheless, the Commissioner is authorized to charge our Deposit Account No. 50-1258 in the amount of any such fee deemed necessary for such entry and consideration.

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**Appendix**  
**Version With Markings Showing Changes**

**IN THE SPECIFICATION:**

Page 1, the paragraph between the title and the first heading is new.

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

Claims 1-7 have been canceled.

Claims 8-16 are new.

**IN THE ABSTRACT:**

The attached Abstract is new.

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